The sum asked for under furniture,—Rs. 2,000,—is less than the amount which lapsed in 1099 and brings the total sum asked for for the Women's College to Rs. 19,832.

I hope the House will allow the grant.

PRESIDENT: I take it that the House sanctions the Demand.

The grant was made.

DEMAND XIII—AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

MR. K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Ag. Director of Agriculture and Fisheries*): Sir, I rise to move for a supplementary grant not exceeding Rs. 205 under Demand XIII—Agriculture and Fisheries. This is for the conversion of the non-departmental Fish Curing Yard, Pallittode into a departmental one. At the instance of the Malabar Coast Industries, Ltd., Alleppey, Government in 1096 sanctioned the opening of a private curing yard at that place on the company undertaking to provide the site and building required for the purpose and to meet the cost involved in maintaining the necessary staff, which consists of a Fishery Sub-Inspector on Rs 25 per mensem and two peons on Rs. 9 each per mensem. The yard was started in Tulam 1096. and the company was contributing regularly the amount required for meeting the establishment charges up till the end of 1099. It was then wound up and the contribution has accordingly ceased. The need for the curing yard, however, continues as it helps the fishermen of the locality considerably. They have submitted several memorials praying for the continuance of the yard. Their prayer appeared to be quite reasonable and hence Government have sanctioned the conversion of this private curing yard into a departmental one. The annual establishment charges will amount to Rs. 516 as already explained. As this expenditure could not be anticipated at the time of the preparation of the budget estimate no separate provision is made in the budget of the current year. But if this House will now sanction a supplementary grant of Rs. 205, I shall provide the balance amount required from the anticipated savings of the department for the year.

MR. J. JOHN NIDIRY (*Changanachery* cum *Minachil*): May I know where Pallittode is situated?

MR. K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Ag. Director of Agriculture and Fisheries*): It is in the Shertallai taluk.

PRESIDENT: I take it that the House sanctions the Demand.

The grant was made.

DEMAND XIV—INDUSTRIES.

MR. I. C. CHACKO (*Director of Industries*): I rise to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 7,304 under Demand XIV—Industries. This demand is made up of two items. The first of these is a sum of Rs. 1,304 for enhancing the stipends tenable in the Government Carpentry and Smithery School at Quilon from Rs. 5, Rs. 6 and Rs. 7 to Rs 8, Rs. 10, Rs. 12 for the first, second and third years respectively. From

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